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Dear Mr. Niemela and Mr. Fivas:

Modifying the Mobilization Maximum Amount

As part of a negotiated process with the Michigan Infrastructure and Transportation Association (MITA), the maximum mobilization for a project will be increased to 10%. This increase is based on studies from other DOTs which allow a higher percentage of the project to be associated with this pay item. The local agency engineer's estimate for mobilization maximum will remain the same; however, the maximum amount stated in the supplement description will reflect a maximum of 10%. **This change is effective as of the December 2006 lettings.**

For example:

If a project is estimated at \$1,000,000 without mobilization, then the pay item will read: "Mobilization, max \$100,000". The local agency engineer's estimate for the item in TRANSport can be lower than the maximum (most local agencies use 5% maximum or \$50,000).

All projects which are let through the department (including trunkline projects) will use the same procedure. We will continue to allow a lower maximum for the local agency engineer's estimate for the foreseeable future until we have enough bid history to determine another method that is more appropriate.

If you have any questions regarding this change please contact me, at (517) 335-2233.

Sincerely,

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